

SENATE BILL 2188  
By Crowe

HOUSE BILL 1855

By Holsclaw

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 37  
and Title 39, relative to child abuse, neglect, and  
endangerment.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-15-401(b), is amended by  
redesignating the existing language as subdivision (1) and adding the following new subdivision:

(2) Any person who knowingly neglects a child under eighteen (18) years of age,  
so as to place the child in substantial risk of harm or injury, commits a Class A  
misdemeanor.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016, the public welfare requiring it.